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. . . the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, . . . of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end . . . The zeal of JEHOVAH of hosts will perform this.—Isaiah 9:6, 7.

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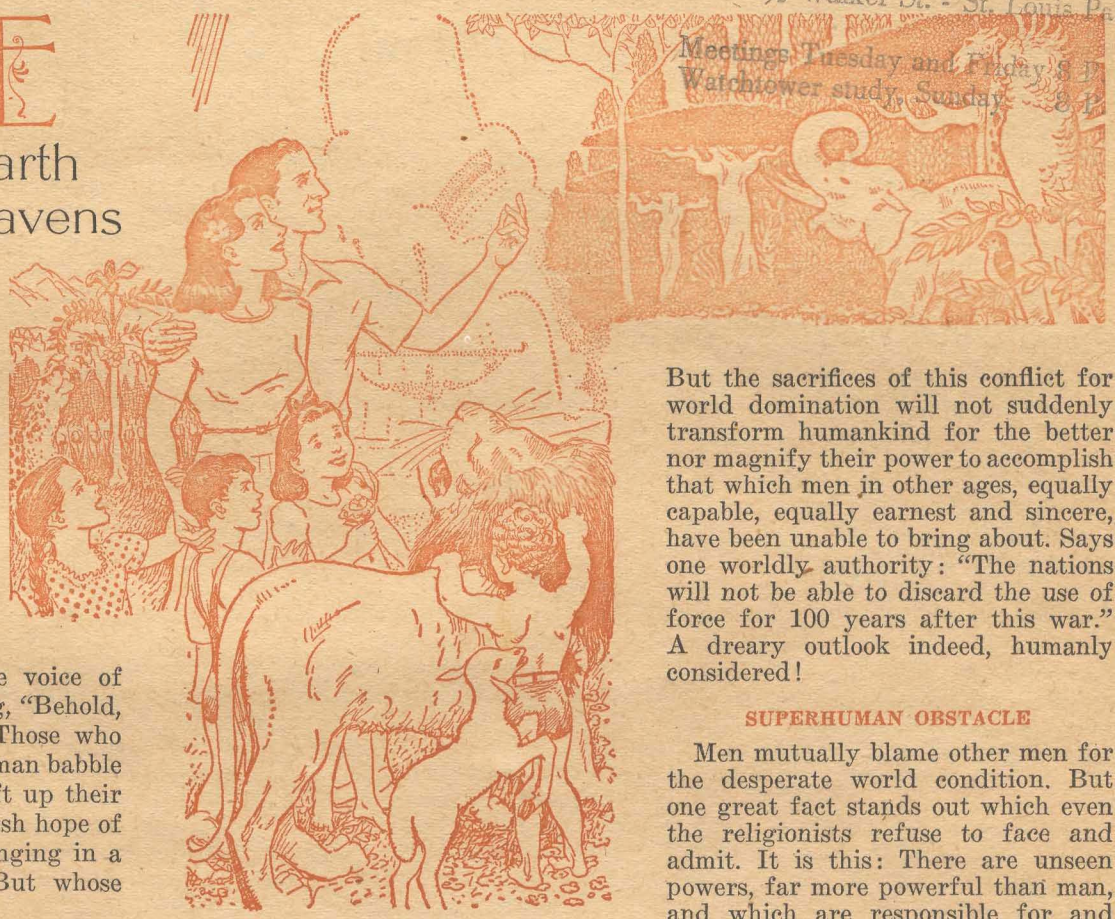
in the new earth under new heavens



TODAY all earth has become a battle front. Death and destruction strike any place, without warning! To millions of humans life has been turned to existence marred by dread of things they see coming. Righteous men love life in peace and happiness. Who can secure such for them?

In all the world turmoil how many now pause to listen to the one voice of power and authority, saying, "Behold, I make all things new"? Those who turn from the confusing human babble to hearken to that voice lift up their heads with joy and take fresh hope of a great transformation bringing in a new and perfect world. But whose voice is it?

Now the whole world is girding itself for war. At the same time men in fear are wondering, Who will win the peace? Whose will shall dictate that peace? The totalitarian powers are determined that they will decide it, and they dangle before all humanity their promise of a "new world order", a "new League of Nations". Examined, that world order is found to be not new, but a return to the old system of oppression dating back to the first dictator, Nimrod, the founder of Babylon's tyranny.

On "Christmas eve" of 1941 the greatest religious head is heard in a world broadcast, and the newspaper headlines scream forth: "Pope Asks New Moral Code to End Anguish"; "Faith [Catholic faith] Will Save World, Pope Says"; "Pope Gives Five-Point Program for World Peace"; and suchlike. But consult the record: The religious system which he heads is not dedicated to a *new* world; the pronouncements of his Hierarchy on record since the American Revolution of 1776 deplore the establishment of the new system of democratic government with free worship of God according to the Bible and dictates of conscience. That Hierarchy and its head are avowedly in favor of and ceaselessly working for a restoring of the old system of the Middle Ages, which historians rightly call "the Dark Ages". That system is the old "Holy Roman Empire", in which the Germanic race exercised the dominant power down to its dissolution in 1805. Mindful of the morality of that "holy" Empire, men are suspicious of the pope's promise of a "new order based on moral principles". They ask, What morality is there in those Concordats of the pope still held with those totalitarian dictators whose unjust, cruel aggressions against weaker and democratic nations are condemned by all men who believe in the moral standards of present civilization?

Next a great religious federation offers its 13-point program, and says: "We must build now the spiritual foundations of a better order of the world. This task is immediate and cannot be delayed." Easily said, that! But the sacrifices of this conflict for world domination will not suddenly transform humankind for the better nor magnify their power to accomplish that which men in other ages, equally capable, equally earnest and sincere, have been unable to bring about. Says one worldly authority: "The nations will not be able to discard the use of force for 100 years after this war." A dreary outlook indeed, humanly considered!

SUPERHUMAN OBSTACLE

Men mutually blame other men for the desperate world condition. But one great fact stands out which even the religionists refuse to face and admit. It is this: There are unseen powers, far more powerful than man, and which are responsible for and back of the present march of all nations to destruction. Those superhuman powers are the demons, of which Satan the Devil is the chief. At that fact worldly men will sneer. Their religious leaders never take that fact into consideration nor call it to the attention of their congregations. Yet the authority for that plain truth is not any man, but God himself, who sees behind the scenes that which man cannot see. "Yea, let God be true, but every man a liar."

Political thinkers say we must destroy the philosophy of the aggressors which is responsible for this war. God's Word says rather, THE POWER AND RULE OF THE DEMONS MUST BE DESTROYED. No human nation or league of nations can do that. It is possible to Him alone who says: "Behold, I make all things new." He can do it. He promises to do it!

Those demon powers operating before the great Flood or Deluge caused the earth to be filled with violence. (Read Genesis 6:1-13.) Only supernatural power cleaned up the earth then and preserved a righteous few to

start off anew thereafter. Those same demon powers are back of the world violence today, because the great Prophet Jesus said that it would be now as it was in the days of Noah. The entire world is now exposed to demonism. Religion, contrary to its claims of being Christian, has betrayed the peoples right into the power of the demons. The demons are opposed to the Kingdom of God, and it is they that cause religionists to ignore the power and kingdom of God and to lay emphasis on what worldly men promise to do but cannot. Thereby religion turns mankind away from God's kingdom, THE THEOCRACY, and into the destruction that awaits the opposers of that Kingdom at the battle of Armageddon.

The chief of the demons, at the very beginning of human history, rebelled against the Theocratic rule of the universe. He set out to grab universal domination. UNIVERSAL DOMINATION is the great issue now. The demons are back of this war on earth for world domination, in opposition to the Theocratic kingdom of God by his anointed King, Christ Jesus. Whatever "new order" emerges from this present world war it will not be Theocratic rule of God's will on earth, but human rule, still subject to the malicious demon powers. Humankind will be right where they were before, nay, rather, they will be nearer to the final and universal war of Armageddon, whither Revelation 16:13-16 plainly states the demons are irresistibly leading all nations. Do you believe that Word of God? To reject it is but to fool yourself.

The Theocratic Government of Jehovah by his Christ is the sole hope of righteously-disposed men who desire LIFE. Everywhere Jehovah's witnesses are proclaiming that THEOCRATIC hope. Fanatical men and women who interfere therewith by mobs, violence, and other unlawful and unconstitutional means not only are un-American, but are un-Christian and yielding themselves to the service of the demons and are practicing wicked demonism! They fight against God and hurt the life interests of the people, which life interests lie only in God's Kingdom. Let such opposers be warned: they shall fail in their foul purpose, and God's Word foretells their destruction with the demons, whom they serve. "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (Psalm 9:17) On the other hand, "Blessed is the nation whose God is Jehovah." (Psalm 33:12, *Am. Rev. Ver.*) "He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul." (Proverbs 15:32) To refuse God's instruction means your death.

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NEW HEAVENS AND EARTH

Do you pray, 'Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth as it is done in heaven'? If sincere, then you will not object to nor rebel against this simple statement of God's will or purpose toward mankind and of how He wills to fulfill that righteous purpose for the benefit of "men of good-will". Our literal earth, where shortly God's will shall be done as in heaven, abides for ever as the everlasting habitation of humankind who obey and serve Jehovah God and Christ His King. (See Ecclesiastes 1:4; Isaiah 45:12, 18.) The "earth" which will be destroyed as by fire is a symbol of the visible organization on earth of imperfect men who are opposed to THE THEOCRACY. The demon powers, which are spiritual, and hence higher than and invisible to man, are the wicked "heavens", which only God Almighty can remove from over mankind. Such "earth" and "heavens" make up this "present evil world", which wicked world shall be destroyed at Armageddon. That is the "end of the world", but not of our earth.

Looking forward to this time of change, the inspired apostle wrote: "Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." (2 Peter 3:13) That will be the real "new world". God is the Creator and Builder thereof. In this time of world mourning He says to men with faith in the Bible: "For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But BE YE GLAD AND REJOICE FOR EVER in that which I create. . . . For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain."—Isaiah 65:17, 18; 66:22.

Such "new heavens" are the new spiritual or heavenly Government God establishes in control of all the universe, including our earth. It is THE THEOCRACY under the Savior of humankind, Christ Jesus, together with the glorified members of "his body", his devoted followers who prove faithful unto death and who are raised "a spiritual body". That THEOCRATIC GOVERNMENT is invisible to man, and its power in heaven and earth shall be exercised to the glory of Jehovah God and for the good of all obedient and faithful creatures that live. After the final war of Armageddon God creates the "new earth", the new and righteous organization visible to man and which God will set up for the direct governance of the survivors of Armageddon and their righteous offspring. That visible organization will be carried on by the "holy men of God" of olden times prior to Christ and who were faithful witnesses and servants of Jehovah even unto death. Those devoted prophets and witnesses God will shortly raise out of their long sleep of death and make them "princes in all the earth" under the "new heavens". —See Psalm 45:16 and Isaiah 32:1.

The Bible speaks in glowing terms about life in that "new earth" under those "new heavens". You will find descriptions thereof at many places, such as Isaiah 25:6-9; 9:6, 7; 65:17-25; 11:1-9; Micah 4:1-5; Psalm 72; Revelation 21:1-5; 22:1-6. Read them, and then, "according to your faith be it unto you," as Jesus said. (Matthew 9:29) The newly published book *Children* in simple, heart-cheering phrase presents a glorious picture drawn according to the prophetic Scriptures of the life in the "new earth" beneath "new heavens". That will be a "world without end", a place of joy, peace and perfect health and life for the obedient. Even the earthly dead which are included under the ransom sacrifice of Christ Jesus shall be awakened and have the opportunity to learn the truth and gain life in that "new earth", by faith and obedience. "But all the wicked will he [God] destroy."—Psalm 145:20.

That is the "new world" which GOD sets before you. Will you turn your back upon it and turn toward the "new world order based on moral principles" as promised by impotent men who are helplessly sinking down into death? You must choose, and by your choice you are fixing your own destiny. If you love righteousness and life, you will choose wisely. You need correct information from the truthful source. To that end this brief message is published pointing to God's Word of truth and to the books which by His providence help you to understand the Bible. By your enlightened choice of the right way you may have God's own promise to be "hid in the day of the Lord's anger" at Armageddon and survive to enter into that joyous life in the "new earth" under God's "new heavens".

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